SCHOOLS ENHANCING CAPACITY TO UNDERTAKE READINESS FOR EMERGENCIES (SECURE) PARTNER AGREEMENT

Project Schools Enhancing Capacity to Undertake Readiness for Emergencies (SECURE) will strengthen and expand emergency management planning in the Chicago Public Schools (CPS) within the framework of four phases of emergency management (Prevention-Mitigation, Preparedness, Response, and Recovery). SECURE builds upon CPS' long-standing collaborations with the Mayor's Office, Chicago Police Department, Office of Emergency Management and Communications, Chicago Department of Public Health, Illinois Department of Health and Human Services, and the Chicago Fire Department. SECURE is an opportunity to bring these separate entities together in a formal partnership to strengthen schools' capacity to effectively manage emergencies to ensure student safety and a quick restoration of the learning environment.

Partner Responsibilities

As part of SECURE, the Chicago Fire Department will:

- 1. Assist in identifying critical facility and occupant data needed by first responders.
- 2. Participate in an annual tabletop exercise to act out an emergency scenario and response to a high-risk school.
- 3. Participate on the Steering Committee once monthly.
- 4. Provide advice on CPS's system-wide emergency management plan and procedures as requested both during and beyond the life of the grant.

John W. Brooks Commissioner

Chicago Fire Department

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